

Livable Frederick Planning & Design Office

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FREDERICK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Certified Local Government Evaluation of National Register eligibility of Request:

Hayland

Address: 15849 Mechanicstown Road, Emmitsburg

Meeting Date: June 7, 2023

Report Date: May 9, 2023

Hayland is nominated under National Register Criteria A and C.

Criterion A: Criterion A concerns properties associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history. Hayland is associated with a Catholic community which began in the early 18th century in northern Frederick County located near Mount St. Mary's. Additionally, the property is representative of agricultural development in mid-Maryland.

Criterion C: Criterion C concerns properties that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represent the work of a master, or possess high artistic values, or represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction. Hyland is nominated as a rare example in northern Frederick County of the romantic architectural style, Italian Villa. Additionally, the property is connected to local builder/architect Joshua Shorb.

The Period of Significance is 1856 to 1972, as these are the dates of earliest construction of the house to when the house was converted into apartments and all dairy operations ceased. In addition to the house, the property contains five additional contributing resources: an ice house, bathhouse/privy, wagon shed/corncrib with attached hog pen, and bank barn and silo. The detailed description of the property and the historical context descriptions of the previous owners, agricultural history, Catholicism, and Joshua Shorb illustrate the significance, integrity, and features adequately.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Historic Preservation Commission recommend the nomination of Hayland to the County Executive and the State Historic Preservation Officer as eligible for the National Register.